

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
EUGENE DISTRICT OFFICE

DECISION RECORD and FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT
Construction of metal and pole building for storage of native straw.
Environmental Assessment No. EA -OR095-03-05
Tyrrell Seed Orchard

FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI):

On the basis of the information contained in the Environmental Assessment, and all other information available to me, it is my determination that implementation of the proposed action or alternatives will not have significant environmental impacts beyond those already addressed in the *Record of Decision (ROD) for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl* (April 1994) and the *Eugene District Record of Decision and Resource Management Plan* (June 1995) as amended by the Record of Decision for Amendments to the Survey and Manage, Protection Buffer, and other Mitigation Measures Standards and Guidelines, USDA Forest Service and USDI Bureau of Land Management, January, 2001, with which this EA is in conformance, and does not constitute a major federal action having a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement or a supplement to the existing environmental impact statement is not necessary and will not be prepared.

DECISION:

Based on the analysis documented in the Environmental Assessment (EA) OR090-03-05 and the finding of no significant impact, it is my decision to implement the Proposed Action as described in the EA. The construction of a metal and pole building for storage of native straw will occur in Township 20 South, Range 5 West, Section 15 known as the Tyrrell Seed Orchard. The area considered for construction is within the Tyrrell Seed Orchard and has been used as a gravel storage area. The Proposed Action will provide for long term protected storage of native straw to be used in forest management activities, including road construction, road improvement and road decommissioning.

DECISION RATIONALE:

The Proposed Action was selected because it follows the policy on use of native species plant materials on BLM lands in Oregon and Washington. The proposed action is tiered to and is in compliance with the Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl, April 1994, and the Eugene District Record of Decision (ROD)/Resource Management Plan (RMP), June 1995, as amended by the Record of Decision for Amendments to the Survey and Manage, Protection Buffer, and other Mitigation Measures Standards and Guidelines, USDA Forest Service and USDI Bureau of Land Management, January, 2001.

CONSULTATION AND COORDINATION:

Both the EA and preliminary FONSI were advertised on November 13, 2002 as available for a 30-day public review period in the Eugene Register-Guard. Copies of the EA and preliminary FONSI were mailed to interested individuals on our mailing list. No comments were received.

The Proposed Action would not affect any threatened or endangered species. Therefore, consultation with the US Fish and Wildlife Service or NOAA Fisheries is not required.

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW OPPORTUNITIES:

The decision to implement the Proposed Action may be protested under 43 CFR 5003 - Administrative Remedies. In accordance with 43 CFR 5003.2, the decision for this project will not be subject to protest until the notice of decision is first published in the Eugene Register-Guard on January 2, 2003. This published decision notice will constitute the decision document for the purpose of protests for this project. 43 CFR 5003.2(a). Protests of this decision must be filed with this office within 15 days after first publication of the notice of decision.

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12/19/02
Date